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Derrick Tilmon walks off the court with a towel draped over his head at the Kiel Center Sunday evening in St. Louis after the Salukis lost 67-56 to Southwest Missouri State in the semi final round of the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament.

TED SCHUTTER DAILY EGYPTIAN

Carbondale to add concerts to budget

City plans to fund Spring Thing and Sunset Concerts

KAREN BLATTER GOVERNMENT EDITOR

The City of Carbondale is now a sponsor of Sunset Concerts and will annually fund the Spring Thing concert instead of having a Welcome Back concert at the beginning of fall semester.

Last week, the City Council approved funding of \$4,912 for the Sunset Concerts and \$3,500 for Student Programming Council's Spring Thing in 2001.

Councilman Brad Cole pushed for the funding to be given to the two concert series as a way to better join the University and city to provide better entertainment for the community.

He said the Welcome Back concert was not well attended, and the Sunset Concerts and Spring Thing have brought more people to the city.

"A lot of people come to them. It makes sense for the city to be involved," he said. "It's a way to reach a lot of people and the costs keep on going up."

The Sunset Concerts are a series of free weekly outside concerts during the summer at Turley Park or Old Main that draw students and community members of all ages.

The series is co-sponsored by Student

Programming Council, the Student Center and the Carbondale Park District. The city's share for fiscal year 2001 would cover the rising cost of entertainment. SPC requested that the city get involved in the successful series.

This year will be the third Spring Thing Concert. The free concert takes place in April and has featured Ziggy Marley and the Melody Makers and George Clinton and the P-Funk All-Stars in the past.

For the past two years, the city gave SPC money for the concert. Last year the council gave SPC \$3,500 for the concert. Since SPC has requested the money from the city for the past two years, the city decided to add it to the budget for each year.

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BRAD COLE city councilman

The only condition on giving the money is that the entertainment for the Spring Thing concert be subject to review and approval by the city.

Cole said adding the concert to the budget will be helpful to the city as well as the students.

"We have given the money for other years, we're just eliminating having them request it," he said. "We are just saying we are going to do it."

Cole had been working with Doug Daggert, associate director of the Student Center, to ensure funding from the city for the events. Cole said he has been considering the idea of funding the events for a long time.

At Thursday's City Council meeting, the council will vote on granting SPC \$5,000 for the 2000 Spring Thing concert.

Giving back to the University

Student Development award praises accomplishments of SIUC senior

GEOFFREY RITTER DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Standing up to take a quick break, Heather Estes glances around, quickly surveying the progress of her most current project.

"We're going to be done way ahead of schedule today," Estes notes. "I would love to come back and work next Saturday."

The cadence of hammers in the background is gradually working to lay the floor for a Habitat for Humanity house. A worthy cause, but before Estes can say any more about it, she is back on her hands and knees, driving another nail into the floor.

After four years of volunteer activities like this one, Estes, a senior in biological sciences from Nokomis, has been awarded with the Service to Southern award, an elite honor doled out by Student Development to recognize the contributions of one graduating senior.

The award, which was given to Estes Feb. 26 at the Theta Xi



MINOOK PARK - DAILY EGYPTIAN

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Variety Show, is based on volunteer work, service projects to the school and an overall grade point average of at least 2.75. Estes said she was in competition with six other finalists.

"She has gone above and beyond the call of duty," said Nancy Hunter Pei, director of Student Development. "It's a great honor and a great achievement for her."

It did not take long for Estes

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SIUC fans travel to the Kiel Center to cheer for the Dawgs

SIU students and alumni join together in St. Louis to root for the Salukis

RHONDA SCIARNA STUDENT AFFAIRS EDITOR

ST. LOUIS—Micki Nortki, clad in a rainbow wigs, gobs of metallic Mardi Gras beads and a Saluki dawg pound T-shirt, and other members of the self-named "clown posse" rooted for the SIU men's basketball team

in its 75-63 victory over the Purple Aces of University of Evansville Saturday night in St. Louis.

Like Nortki, thousands of SIUC students, alumni and fans dominated the west-half of the Kiel Center well before the game's 8:35 p.m. tip-off, and SIU's fans could not be happier with the win, which advanced the Salukis to the semifinal round of the Missouri Valley Conference tournament.

The "clown posse," made up of about 10 SIU students, formed after the third game of the season in an effort to bring a little more excitement around Saluki hoops, said Nortki, a junior from Batavia.

"We just wanted to be different, stand out and let the players know that we are here for them," Nortki said.

"We know SIU is awesome, and we want them to know it."

On the 22nd floor of the St. Louis downtown Marriott Pavillion hotel, the SIU Alumni Association has created a Mecca for SIU alumni and students in a hospitality suite prior to each Saluki game.

Ed Buerger, director of the SIU Alumni Association, said SIU fans have reserved about 60 rooms at the Marriott this weekend alone.

"We've had a great mix of students, fans and alumni," Buerger said. "They're coming from as far away as

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**TODAY**

• **Library Affairs** digital imaging for the web, 10 to 11 a.m., Powerpoint, 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.

• **Association of Childhood Education International** meeting, 3 p.m., Quigley 128.

• **University Career Services** resume/cover letter workshop, 5 p.m., Lawson 121, Vickie 453-2391.

• **Student Alumni Council** meeting, every Mon, 6 p.m., Kaskaskia/Missouri Rooms, Jason 453-2444.

• **Alpha Phi Omega** meeting, 6 p.m., Illinois Room Student Center, Kevin 549-5324.

• **Youth Abroad** meeting to promote the travel of Carbondale youth to other countries, 6 p.m., Dunn-Richmond Building Room 241, 453-3880.

• **SIUC Ballroom Dance Club** meeting and lesson, every Mon., 7 to 8 p.m., Davies Gym small gym second floor, \$15 student membership, Brian 351-8855.

• **Outdoor Adventure Club** meeting, every Mon., 7 p.m., Video Lounge Student Center, Christy 536-7253.

• **Kendo Club** Japanese fencing meeting, every Mon. and Thurs., 8 to 10 p.m., Davies Gym, Todd 353-4002.

• **Yoga Sports Club** exercises and meditation, every Mon. and Wed., 8:30 to 10 p.m., Recreation Center Assembly Room, Craig 457-8578.

**UPCOMING**

• **Library Affairs** webcast 2.0 overview, Mar. 7, 10 to 11 a.m., Morris Library 15, finding books using Ilinet, 1 to 2 p.m., Morris Library 103D, e-mail using Eudora, 3 to 4:15 p.m., Morris Library

103D, introduction to constructing web pages, 6 to 8 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.

• **Baptist College Ministry Center** is offering free lunch for internationals, every Tues., 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Baptist Student Center on the corner of Mill and Forrest St., Judy 457-2898.

• **Japanese Table**, every Tues., noon to 1 p.m., Student Center Cambria Room, bring your lunch, Dawn 536-8380.

• **SPC Films** meeting to select films for student entertainment, every Tues., 5 p.m., basement of Student Center, Amanda 536-3393.

• **SPC News and Views** lecture and slide show "Europe and the World on 84 Cents a Day", Mar. 7, 6 p.m., Ballroom C Student Center, Derrick 536-3393.

• **Ballroom Dance Club** meeting, dance lessons and practice session, every Tues., 8 to 9:30 p.m., Davies Gym second floor small gym, \$15 student members, Bryan 351-8855.

• **Women's Services** excerpts from favorite women writers, Mar. 7, 7 to 8:30 p.m., Faner Hall Room 1004, 453-3655.

• **College of Liberal Arts** annual faculty meeting, Mar. 7, 7 p.m., University Museum Auditorium, Sandy 453-2466.

• **Premedical Professions Association** chiropractor speaking, Mar. 7, 7 p.m., Life Science III Auditorium Room 1059, Brian 529-3180.

• **Blacks in Communication Alliance** meeting, every Tues., 7:30 p.m., Saline Room Student Center, Erika 536-6798.

• **Apostolic Life Campus Ministry** prayer meeting, every Wed., 8 to 9 a.m., Sagamon Room Student Center, Abbie 529-8164.

• **Library Affairs** instructional applications for the web, Mar. 8, 10 to 11 a.m., Morris Library 103D, finding articles mentioned in the news report, 5 to 6 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.

• **Association of Childhood Education International** meeting, Mar. 8, 4 p.m., Quigley 128.

• **Public Relations Student Society of America** meeting, every Wed., 4:30 to 6 p.m., Cambria Room Student Center, Halima 529-4338.

• **University Career Services** Job Interview Workshop, Mar. 8, 5 p.m., Lawson 201, Vickie 453-2391.

• **SIU School of Law** lecture on "Hate Speech on Campus", Mar. 8, 5 p.m., School of Law Auditorium, 536-7711.

• **Saluki Rainbow Network** meeting, Mar. 8, 5:30 p.m., Conith/Troy Room, Prideline 453-5151.

• **Gamma Beta Phi Society** meeting, Mar. 8, 6 p.m., Kaskaskia/Missouri Room Student Center, Harry handle@siu.edu.

• **AnimeKal** presents Japanese animation films with English subtitles, every Wed., 6 to 8 p.m., Faner 1125 Language Media Center, Jason 536-6365.

• **Pi Sigma Epsilon** meeting, every Wed., 6 p.m., Ohio Room Student Center, Amanda 351-8198.

• **Egyptian Dive Club** meeting, every Wed., 6:30 p.m., Pulliam 021, Amy 549-0840.

• **Cornerstone Christian Fellowship** bible study in the books of Hebrews, Mar. 8, Iroquois Room Student Center, Wayne 529-4043.

• **Chi Alpha Campus Ministries** African-American bible study, every Wed. and Thurs., 7 p.m., Ohio River Room Student Center, Karleton 549-8496.

• **SIUC Chess Club** meeting to play chess, Mar. 8, 7 to 10 p.m., Saline Room Student Center, Jim 453-7109.

• **Student Programming Council** marketing committee meeting, every Thurs., 5 p.m., Activity Room B Student Center, Aisha 536-3393.

**POLICE BLOTTER**

**CARBONDALE**

• **Cardboard** was found set on fire at Southern Recycling, 220 S. Washington St., at 1:49 a.m. Friday. Carbondale police said it took firefighters more than three hours to extinguish the suspected arson of several bails of compressed cardboard. Damage was estimated at more than \$2,000 and there are no suspects in this incident.

• A Carbondale man told police his car was broken into between Wednesday and Friday and a \$200 Sony compact disc player was missing. Carbondale police have no suspects in the incident.

• A 19-year-old woman told Carbondale police someone stole a cellular phone, the cellular phone's charger and \$10 from her car while it was parked in a parking lot in the 800 block of East Main Street Friday. There are no suspects in this incident.

• **Nayef Handah**, 21, of Carbondale, was arrested and charged with felony disorderly conduct in connection with a false fire alarm that occurred in the 600 block of East Park Street Friday. Handah was taken to Jackson County Jail.

**UNIVERSITY**

• An 18-year-old SIUC student told University police someone burglarized his room in an on-campus residence hall and stole handcuffs, a knife and a checkbook around 1:30 p.m. Thursday. Total loss in the incident was estimated at \$80. Police have obtained a suspect description and are investigating the incident.

• **Joey D. Wiseman**, 18, of Carbondale, was arrested and charged with criminal trespass to state supported property and possession of marijuana at 4:15 a.m. Friday. Wiseman, who was apprehended in Lot 26, posted \$100 bond and was released.

• **Joseph L. Warren**, 31, of Aurora, was arrested and charged with unlawful possession of a firearm at 3:45 a.m. Friday in Lot 26. Warren was taken to Jackson County Jail.

**POLICE BLOTTER**

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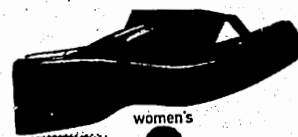
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JOHN SANBURN - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Yellow Cab driver Bob Labrie sits behind the wheel of his taxi on "party nights," Wednesday through Saturday, for 13-hour shifts. The 49-year-old Carbondale resident prides himself on making sure his clients receive a safe ride home.

# Lucky's pride

*Cab driver works "party nights" to get students home safely*

DAVID FERRARA  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Midnight Saturday. The phone rings. "You're chariot has arrived," says the voice on the other end. Cab No. 13 is waiting. The driver is a 49-year-old man wearing a casual blue flannel shirt, a T-shirt, jeans, thick driving glasses

and an unkempt beard. He flashes a smile and we make small talk. His white sneakers press the gas pedal and the cab rumbles. We're off. It's dark in the back seat. I can't see well enough to take copious notes. I'm relying on my tape recorder and my memory. For much of this three-hour tour, though, my tape recorder is off. The seats are soft and comfort-

able in this mid-1980s Chrysler. Except, I soon learn, when I'm squished like a sardine among a group of two, three or even four drunk passengers. I'll just sit back and listen to the stories. Lucky, whose real name is Bob Labrie, has been driving around Carbondale for six hours already, and he'll be driving for another seven. "I never knew I had a lucky number," he says. But then he found Cab 13 and a 13-hour shift. That's his number: 13. He's one of five weekend drivers — the only driver that will take that number. He sees signs everywhere he goes. For six years, his shift has taken him up and down Illinois Route 13. He's a religious man and believes God has made 13 his lucky number. "If you see a 13, pay attention," he imagines God telling him. He drives on the "party nights,"

Wednesdays through Saturdays. He's heard just about every story in this town. "This job can be very stressful," Lucky says. But he's placid and appears at peace behind the wheel. Lucky likes to stay in town, "because I want to be here when the bars close, and I want to take the kids home." He takes pride in getting students home safely from the bars. **Getting them home** The first ride is a group of three boys. They pile in the back seat of the cab at the Wal-Mart parking lot. After a night of dancing at the Teen Center, they walked to the store to goof around. By this time, though, curfew has set in. None of them is over 15, and it's time to go home. Lucky drops them off, picks up

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# Cheap taxi prices may be a thing of the past

*Rise in gas prices affecting cab drivers*

JENNIFER WIG  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Bob Labrie, a Carbondale taxicab driver, forfeits money he would ordinarily make daily because of the recent jump in gasoline prices. The drop in profits has increased the possibility of a rise in cab fares, but Yellow Cab owner Russ High has not made definite plans to seek a raise.

Labrie, who works at Yellow Cab, 215 S. Illinois Ave., pays \$59 to lease his cab for the 13-hour shift and must fill the gas tank when finished. This creates difficulty in making a profit, and lately, Labrie's job has not paid much more than minimum wage. Labrie, better known as "Lucky 13," has been a cab driver for about six years. When he started, gas prices were about 89 cents per gallon. Today, Labrie estimates his expenses have increased to an additional \$200 per month because of gasoline prices. Now is the peak time for cab drivers, but as the weather warms up and spring break

approaches, dwindling business for cab drivers is inevitable. During breaks, Labrie has had to dig into his own pocket to pay the lease on his cab. Drivers like Labrie would like to see cab rates increase. "I don't see how they have a choice," Labrie said. "If they want to stay in business they'll have to [raise rates]." Gas prices are expected to continue rising. Last summer, gas prices dropped to about \$1 per gallon, a 12-year low. Sunday, Carbondale gas

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Ombudsman to retire

University Ombudsman Ingrid Gadoway Clarke submitted a notice of her retirement to interim Chancellor John Jackson Feb. 25. Clarke, director of the ombudsman's office, has served in the position since July 1974. The primary function of the ombudsman's office is to provide confidential advice, guidance and assistance to students and faculty with campus-related conflicts. Clarke will charge the Ombudsman Advisory Panel with finding a permanent replacement for Clarke. The advisory panel is composed of representatives from each constituency group on campus. If a permanent director is not immediately named, Lynn Conley, associate director of the ombudsman's office, said she will likely fill in on a temporary basis. Clarke's retirement will be effective April 30.

### Carbondale man charged with criminal sexual abuse

A 22-year-old Carbondale man was arrested on a Jackson County warrant charging him with criminal sexual abuse and child pornography Friday afternoon. Kourtney E. Pemberton was arrested and charged with criminal sexual abuse for sexual relations with a child under the age of 13 and child pornography after a police detective, knowing there was a warrant for Pemberton's arrest, spotted him in the Brentwood Commons area. When police approached Pemberton, he fled. Another officer was called and apprehended him in the 300 block of Cedarview Street. Pemberton was taken to Jackson County Jail. He also was charged with resisting a police officer and criminal trespass because he was legally barred from the Brentwood Commons area.

Court records indicated Pemberton has a history of trouble with the law, including arrests for retail theft, domestic battery, unlawful use of weapons and damage to property.

### Disney searching for interns at SIUC

The Walt Disney World Co. will be in Student Center Ballroom D at 5 p.m. today recruiting students for internship positions at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Fla. Students from all majors are eligible for the semester-long internship. Interns are offered housing, an hourly wage and academic credit for classes taken on corporate culture, facilitated by Disney. Interns may work in the resort's theme parks, restaurants or hotels. Anyone interested in the positions must attend the meeting. Interviews for positions will be Tuesday by appointment. For more information, visit [www.wdwc-olegprogram.com](http://www.wdwc-olegprogram.com) or call the Walt Disney World College Program Alumni Association at 549-1952.

### College of Science reporter enrollment increase

SIUC's College of Science has enjoyed what dean Jack Parker has called a "small increase" in enrollment from spring 1999 to spring 2000 of six students. The reason for that is the individual programs themselves do the recruiting. Parker said a lot of students come for a specific program in the sciences like geology and computer science. That is why the enrollment fluctuates from program to program.

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## OUR WORD

# House Bill 4551—the wrong road for Illinois

One Chicago-area state representative is trying to force legislators to decide how important Southern Illinois is to this state. As representatives debate the fate of House Bill 4551, they will ultimately decide whether the down-state region is an asset our state is willing to invest in, or a liability to be supported by the Chicago area.

Now, 45 percent of state road funding is allocated to Chicago-area roads and the remaining 55 percent is shared between the districts in the remainder of the state. Cal Skinner, R-Crystal Lake, says they need more. He and other Chicago-area representatives argue 56 percent of Illinois' motor vehicles are registered in District One, which includes Cook, DuPage, McHenry, Kane and Will counties, so 56 percent of funding for roads should be spent within the district.

Skinner's comments about Southern Illinois were inflammatory and insulting, ringing with the sound of a man trying to start an arm-wrestling match to determine who's the best. Maybe, if he can convince upstate citizens the issue at hand is city or district pride, Skinner can rally enough support to push a bill through. Maybe, but doubtful.

Doubtful because upstate citizens are voters, who

depend on Southern Illinois roads to transport goods, or families who take road trips; or educated people who know pulling funding from one segment of the state will be detrimental to the economy of Illinois.

Southern Illinois has been somewhat unsuccessful in continuing to draw industry into our region — that's no secret. But what company will be willing to invest in a community grappling with not only deteriorating road conditions, but a state government that has bailed ship?

In recent years, Southern Illinois farming communities have struggled with drought and economic conditions that have hurt the region and the state. If the Illinois House of Representatives redistributes any tax dollars upstate now, they will be working against our region's ability to help itself and forcing Chicago to support the other eight districts of Illinois. Nobody wants that.

Every resident in Illinois should be opposed to efforts to take highway money away from the down-state region. Legislators and voters must recognize the far reaching effects of such an action and understand those effects will hurt us all. Don't allow Skinner to invent a battle within Illinois — we all pay the same taxes and drive on Illinois highways.

## Keeping It Real

TERRY L. DEAN



Keeping It Real appears Mondays. Terry is a junior in Journalism. His opinion does not necessarily reflect that of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

like Duncan, Hill or the Orlando Magic's Ron Mercer, would make a killing in Chicago from off-the-court endorsements.

The Bulls can offer players one of the best practice and training facilities in the league with the Bertie Center in suburban Deerfield, and the United Center is an excellent arena, though nothing like its predecessor, the great Chicago Stadium, God rest its soul.

There's no reason why the Bulls can't attract quality young players to the team through free agency. My only fear is that there really isn't much of a team right now.

The only two players worth anything on the Bulls are Ron Artest and Elton Brand, who is a making a strong case for NBA Rookie of the Year.

Why should the Bulls be any different than other NBA teams that constantly throw money at players left

and right. Sure, some of us in Chicago couldn't believe it when the Minnesota Timberwolves offered Kevin Garnett a \$100 million contract in 1998.

That was then, and this is now. We're the same people who called for Dennis Rodman's head when he played for the Detroit Pistons, but couldn't wait to see his rainbow colored hair once he was traded to the Bulls.

Shameful? Probably. But all's fair in love and basketball.

The Bulls are one of the worst teams in the league. I was either too young, or nowhere to be found the last time those words were heard.

Krause and Bulls owner, Jerry Reinsdorf were so eager to break up the dynasty and start rebuilding for the future, now they must deal with the fact that every die-hard fan will be watching their every move.

My message to Krause and Reinsdorf, or "The Jerrys," as they are more commonly known in Chicago, is to do what you have to in order to bring the team back to glory. In other words, if you have the money, spend it. And they definitely have the money.

If they can show some creativity and bring another superstar to Chicago next year, I'll sleep peacefully for the rest of my days. I wore my Bulls stuff when they were winning, and by God Almighty, I'll wear them when they're champs again.

## MAILBOX

### Homosexuality — Is it Right or Wrong?

DEAR EDITOR:

I was very disappointed when I looked in the DAILY EGYPTIAN on Monday morning. It's sad when an educated person really shows their stupidity and ignorance so blatantly.

Dick Roush says homosexuality is not normal and isn't a part of society. Well, let me tell him something — YOU ARE WRONG! Homosexuality is not only a normal variation of behavior, it's now thought to be biological. Lesbians and gay men have been in and around society for as long as it has existed!

Because of society's rigid stereotypes, gay people have had to fight an up-hill battle daily. As a person who is gay, I can tell you that it is sometimes hard. We have to fight for rights that most American citizens have.

And as one, I should be accorded the same rights and privileges as others. It isn't fair that people should be denied job security, and the right to marry just because of narrow-minded people.

There is no "Homosexual Agenda." Society is becoming more accepting and some people feel threatened. Seeing two people romantically embrace is not sick. Prejudice and bigotry are sick!

Jason Arnold

sophomore in psychology and physiology

DEAR EDITOR:

Monday's DAILY EGYPTIAN published a letter asserting that, because heterosexuality is statistically predominant, homosexuality is therefore "not normal."

I have type B-positive blood, a trait I share with only 9 percent of the population. I guess that makes me "not normal," too. And, to make matters worse, I have blue eyes, also a minority trait. "Not normal," again.

Prejudice against individuals or groups based on sexual orientation is irrational, unfair and wrong. Let's cut it out.

Edward J. Klonka

Professor of Law

DEAR EDITOR:

In a recent letter to the editor, Mr. Dick Roush stated his disgust with the DAILY EGYPTIAN for choosing to publish a story "promoting" a homosexual relationship.

I not only wholeheartedly disagree with Mr. Roush, I also praise the EGYPTIAN for its choice. By the time an individual reaches college, or in Mr. Roush's case, has graduated from college, one would hope that they realize that people are different, they live different lifestyles, and (most importantly) that different is good.

I do not believe that the EGYPTIAN, in any way, thrust this article in anyone's face, nor did they show this couple in a sexual manner. The cover photo clearly showed a female couple holding hands and it was obvious what the content of the article was to be. If this subject matter offends Mr. Roush so much, I am confused as to why he did not simply turn the page.

Quoting Mr. Roush, gays and lesbians "hope and plan is that some day we won't be able to see any differences between their behavior and heterosexual behavior."

Let me just say, I do not see the differences. In that story, I saw a very happy, very stable couple discussing their plans for the future, much in the manner that my boyfriend and I might talk. I am just sorry that Mr. Roush saw it as something else.

Candace Steele

junior, public relations

DEAR EDITOR:

Without turning the subject into a dissertation, I'd like to point out to the two defenders of homosexuality that unless "normal" society (how often have you seen two same sex animals or birds making "love?") draws a line in the sand against encroachment by abnormal behaviors, that society will soon bite the dust.

Let's assume, for the sake of discussion, that we do accept homosexuality as "normal" behavior. What happens when NAMBLA (North American Man-Boy Love Association) invokes the same strategy and begins to force its way into media by arguing that they "love" boys, and whatever on earth is wrong with loving someone?

Next thing you know, we have laws PROTECTING pedophile behavior as "normal." Think it couldn't happen?

Twenty years ago, homosexual behavior was socially unacceptable in public or in the media. I frankly don't give a hoot what the two of you do in the PRIVACY of your home, but keep it private!

Dick Roush

alumnus 1967

## Environmentalist battle it out

### DEAR EDITOR:

I am pleased to read the column written by Julie Huggs on March 1. Environmental concern is at a severe low in U.S. society. The damage that is done to our natural resources is not renewable. The cost of prevention is minimal to the cost of recovery.

It is for that reason that I am confused by Julie's comments concerning the use of paper versus plastic at the grocery store. I have seen the skeletons of forests that remain in the Washington forests. Clear cuts leave just enough trees along the side of the road so we don't notice on our drive to the State Park. These trees are then replaced by rows of fast growing timber. These new forests are deserts to wildlife. The nutrients have washed away with the rain so nothing will grow as it once did. The hillsides are completely washed away.

There is no question that recycling paper products is a big help to deforestation. Unfortunately, paper can only be recycled a limited number of times, and is not very efficient. No matter how good we get at recycling paper, we will still have to cut down more trees.

This is in stark contrast to plastic. Plastics can be recycled many times over. The recycling process is extremely efficient relative to paper. Insulating foam is another form of recyclable plastic. The problem is finding a place that will accept plastics for recycling. Fortunately, most of our grocery stores provide convenient recycling bins for their plastic bags.

Environment is a complex issue, and certainly we will disagree on the best ways to preserve our environment. Often the most obvious answer is not the correct one. Environmentalism requires discussion, and despite our disagreements, at least we are thinking about it. Thank you, Julie, for being concerned.

**Christopher Landorf**  
Graduate student in Chemistry

## 'Private eyes are watching you'

### DEAR EDITOR:

I am writing in response to your Feb. 24 article titled "Big brother isn't watching you." I totally share your opinion toward including surveillance cameras in some of

the dorms. In Feb., last week I sent a letter to the SIU president offering the idea, which is shared by many residents at my dorm, as an alternative use of the money that we have to pay every time fire fighters come.

I do not think my personal privacy is invaded by doing this. It would be if I were watched in my room, but not in common places where I know the main purpose is not to control, but to prevent. Cameras, although designed to recognize people as a certain time and location, are more effective intimidating people not to do something "wrong." And with respect to those who feel invaded, they can relax knowing nobody is going to pay special attention to what they do, unless they do anything "wrong."

I am not going to be here next year, but I hope they do something effective in order to avoid such a discomfort while living in the University. If the University obligates us to stay in its dorms for the first year, I think we deserve some confidence and respect in the place we are living.

**Manuel Martin**  
Sophomore in microbiology

## Students should be wary of fee increases

### DEAR EDITOR:

When ever I get a chance, I read the DAILY EGYPTIAN online. What I saw March 3 about the Recreation Center pushing for a quick fee increase brings me back to my days on Student Government in 1984-85. They tried the same thing then. They won that time, even though the executive branch did not approve it.

What they did then, is padded their budget through utilities (22-percent increase over previous year) and other common areas that no other facility on campus had increased. The Recreation Center's utilities increased as it was cutting its hours. They never would explain how that was possible. The Physical Plant nor other departments were planning on a utility increase. They won the Senate vote by claiming they would have to cut all the clubs if they did not get their increase.

I URGE the Senate to hold the administration responsible for explaining, in detail, the reason for the increase. I also URGE the students to hold the Student Government and Administration responsible for getting accurate information to them on why the increase is needed.

The Recreation Center is a key facility

on campus. It should be supported. But it should get the support that is necessary to maintain its role, not increases to keep the politically connected fat.

Review their previous budgets and proposed budget. Compare them to other campus facilities. If it is deserved, give the Recreation Center the increase. If it is not, question them and let the students know.

**Steve Rosengarden**  
alumnus 1985

## Web page doesn't reflect student body

### TO THE "PRESIDENT" OF SIULIFE.COM:

Who are you to say you can speak to OUR way of life as the student body? It's embarrassing and a little sad that you define the SIU way of life as one driven by sex, alcohol, and irresponsibility. Some of us are actually here to learn. You think you are the advocate for the unspoken minority? I'm a 20-year-old guy who has never had sex, never drank, and chooses to behave as a responsible adult. That's right, I CHOSE that lifestyle. It was not forced on me by Big Brother, SIU or a southern "conservative" upbringing. Whether you want to admit it or not, THAT is the minority at SIU. There's nothing unique about going out and getting plastered every weekend. Next time you want to stand up for the little guys, make sure you are one of them.

You had a great tool at your fingertips, but instead of promoting SIU's student body, you degraded it. You wrote your "manifesto" while drunk. The "hoties" of SIU pictures are about as artistic and tasteful as the Pamela and Tommy Lee honeymoon video, and the screening you do seems to consist only of a girl's willingness to take her clothes off. I sit next to beautiful girls every day in class, and none of them come in their underwear. Those are the girls who should be on your website — the ones who don't have to be on a bed with their tops off to be considered "hoties." You ramble on about corruption in the system without giving any clear examples of what you're talking about, just because SIU is an institution doesn't mean it's corrupt. Don't confuse petty grievances over slow paperwork with corruption in the system. You say there is "social unrest" here on a daily basis. The only social unrest I've ever seen is the Halloween incidents caused by the same reckless behavior you embrace on your website. Wrote any of the bars that support your

site one of the ones that had a window broken out in one of those "fun and care-free" moments?

I don't care what you say about SIU. It's your right to voice your complaints about your school. But I do care about your defacing of the student body. Not every student seeks a buzz and a romp on the weekends. Most beautiful girls on this campus won't go to a dark hotel room to take semi-nude pictures. And I'm sure very few students would choose you to

describe what "SIU Life" is all about.

I felt the need to write this after a dear friend expressed her concern over your site's effects on SIU's reputation. I assured her that it won't affect the school in the slightest. You'll soon be just another silly controversy that fades into obscurity. I hope [SIU legal counsel] Peter Ruggs doesn't bother with litigation against you. You don't deserve one more second added to your 15 minutes of fame.

**Phil Rockwell**  
sophomore in cinema and photography

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# International flags still flying high

### Two year Recreation Center program honors student's heritage

TERRY L. DEAN  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Thailand, Albania, Scotland—they read like a roll call: Each is one of the many countries with a flag displayed at the Recreation Center's International Gallery of Flags.

Last February marked the two-year anniversary of the program, designed to honor SIUC's diversity and the University's international student population.

The International Gallery of Flags was the brainchild of Kathy Hollister, assistant director of intramural sports and special populations; and the International Student Council.

Hollister spent 10 years trying to come up with a way to highlight SIUC's diversity, including having fund-raisers of state-sponsored events.

"After working with the ISC on the project, the idea of taking several flags donated by students and displaying them to the entire campus seemed like the perfect solution. Having them displayed in the Recreation Center also appealed to Hollister.

"It made it not like a gym, [but] more of a cultural place," Hollister said.

"When we put them up, the atmosphere changed. A more colorful and comfortable feeling happened when they went up."

More than 80 flags, in alphabetical order of country, are displayed in the upper concord area of the Recreation Center. The original 61 flags were stored in the International Student Council's office.

The International Gallery of Flags can provide students with a sense of pride and belonging, said Chinavut Sudchai, president of the Thai Student Association, whose flag is among the 80 on display.

"It's good to recognize that there are many people who represent different countries on this campus," he said. "If they continue to keep adding to the number of countries, I think that might attract students here from around the country."

The cost to have a flag displayed is \$30. In addition to students, faculty, staff and administrators have asked to have their countries' flag displayed.

Jean Paratore, associate vice chancellor for Student Affairs and dean of students, asked for the Italian flag to be added to the gallery

**FLAGS**  
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shortly after it debuted. She said the flags are a great tribute to the students here and have added something special to the campus environment since going up.

"We have a lot of international students here," she said. "They do a lot for our campus, so I think it was a really terrific idea for the Recreation Center to do that."

Hollister said it is her goal to have the country of every international student, who as ever attended SIUC, represented in the gallery. About 60 flags are needed to achieve that goal and she is pleased with the message that they send to students.

"When people come from other countries, or to open houses, it really makes a difference how people view the diversity on campus," she said.

It made it not like a gym, [but] more of a cultural place. When we put them up the atmosphere changed. A more colorful and comfortable feeling happened when they went up.

KATHY HOLLISTER  
assistant director of intramural sports and special populations

# SIUC student nominee for scholarship

### Tim Rice is competing against other college students for \$30,000 Truman Scholarship

COBELL RODRIGUEZ  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Nominees for the Truman Scholarship include students from Princeton, Georgetown, Stanford, Yale and even Harvard. However, among all those colleges is one nominee from SIUC.

Tim Rice, a junior in social work from Cobden, is a finalist for a Truman Scholarship, which awards \$30,000 to juniors planning to go into graduate school before beginning a career in public service. The winner gets \$3,000 for their senior year and \$27,000 for graduate studies.

The Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation awards about 80 scholarships a year. SIUC is one of the 146 institutions involved, and Rice is one of the 219 individuals nominated.

Rice, who lives on a farm in Cobden, is content just being nominated for the award, but being the only one from SIUC makes him even more

proud. "It's a big honor to be nominated for this award," Rice said.

Rice had to meet certain requirements to get the nomination.

A nominee must be a full-time, junior-level student pursuing a bachelor's degree during the 1999-2000 school year and must obtain the degree between December 2000 and August 2001. A student can also be in his or her third year of study and expecting to graduate during the 1999-2000 school year. The nominee may also be a senior-level student resident of Puerto Rico or the Islands (Guam, Virgin Islands, American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands). The islands are considered one entity.

The second qualification is that the student must be committed to a career in public service. The third qualification is the nominee must be in the upper quarter of his or her class. The last prerequisite is he or she must be a U.S. citizen or a U.S. National from American Samoa or the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Other guidelines the foundation would like to see in applicants is extensive records of public or community service, a commitment to careers in government or elsewhere in public service, and leadership potential and communication skills.

Martin Tracy, director of the SIUC School of Social Work, wrote a couple of letters of recommendation for Rice. Tracy said Rice meets all the criteria and is worthy of the nomination.

"He is highly deserving of the recognition," Tracy said. "He has shown exemplary social work values and is a proven leader."

MARTIN TRACY  
director of the SIUC School of Social Work

Tracy described Rice as an outstanding individual and said he enriches the classroom with his strong leadership and critical thinking. Tracy also said being singled out from everyone else at SIUC and making it this far demonstrates Rice's unique talents.

Rice remains modest, yet confident, about his chances of winning.

"I don't know how they make their selection," Rice said. "I do know that I worked really hard to get here."

He is highly deserving of the recognition. He has shown exemplary social work values and is a proven leader.

MARTIN TRACY  
director of the SIUC School of Social Work

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immerse herself in campus activities after coming to school from her small hometown. In 1997, Estes became involved with the Student Orientation Committee, which led to a two-year stint as Student Life adviser, a job she ranks as some of her best work at the University. However, she said, it was the introduction to greek life that truly allowed her to take off.

Attracted to the strong bonds of sisterhood and friendship, Estes pledged Alpha Gamma Delta sorority in 1997, and was promptly awarded the Vice President New Member Scholarship that fall. In the three years since, she has gradually risen through the greek ranks.

"She was always really enthusiastic and always there for the entire group," said Jenny Price, a junior in speech communication from O'Fallon and a greek sister of Estes. "We all became very close."

In addition, Estes has worked as an ambassador for the University and as a Spanish tutor, while maintaining a 3.907 grade point average.

"I've seen her around campus quite a bit over the last couple of years," said interim Chancellor John Jackson, who has worked with Estes on student orientation and the greek

[The University] has expanded my knowledge of diverse points of view that will help me in the real world.

HEATHER ESTES  
winner of the Senior Service Award

Select 2000 plan. "She is deeply engaged in many organizations and worthwhile activities at the University and she is achieving a very high grade point [average]. I am delighted that she won the award."

With graduation approaching, Estes said medical school is most likely her next step, although she has applied for a leadership position with a sorority chapter in Indianapolis for next year. SIUC sits at the top of her list for graduate work, but she is also debating heading to the University of Illinois or Northwestern University.

Estes says her "home away from home" has given back to her in scores by providing her with life-long friends, valuable leadership lessons and a focus for life.

"I've become a lot stronger as a person," she said. "[The University] has expanded my knowledge of diverse points of view that will help me in the real world. It's given me more leadership lessons than anything."

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**LUCKY**

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his fare and the CB radio crackles. There's the voice again. He tells Lucky someone at Evergreen Terrace needs a ride to Carbondale's northeast side. She's quiet. Lucky tries to make conversation, but to limited avail.

The radio crackles again. The voice. Back to Yellow Cab, 215 S. Illinois Ave. A man walked there from PK's, 308 S. Illinois Ave., and wants to go home.

He's what Lucky calls a "regular." Lucky knows his story and makes small talk on the quick jaunt to his home.

"Just happy to be headed home," the rider says. "Got to work in the morning."

Another crackle, and the voice. A couple of SIUC students need a ride from Copper Dragon Brewing Co., 700 E. Grand Ave., to a party on the other side of town.

It's Lucky's pride. He picks up the two intoxicated men. One is boisterous and rambles about fishing and sex. The other doesn't say much and pays.

Lucky takes his fare and heads off. Back at Yellow Cab, two men are waiting. These guys are drunk. They get in the back of the cab from each side.

*Squib* But Lucky immediately has other ideas. He's had trouble with one of them before and refuses the fare.

"You've got to get another ride," he says. "I'm not going out of Carbondale." Just as Lucky is about to pull out of the lot, a man, walking along the strip, sees Lucky and hops in. He's just returned from PK's and needs a ride home. He's a "regular."

Both men are intoxicated. One on alcohol. The other on who knows what. The drunk wants to tell a "sad story," but it's barely audible. He's mumbling something about his wife.

When Lucky drops the man at home, he fumbles with cash and tells Lucky he may call him in about an hour. Lucky feels sorry for the guy, an alcoholic. He's driven him home before, and the man has a wife and children.

The other man won't stop laughing. He's friendly but in need of some sleep at his trailer. A crackle and the voice.

"Thirteen, you got your ears on?" Lucky goes through the routine a couple more times

before hearing a call for some students who need a ride from Georgetown Apartments to Mac Smith Hall.

Lucky may need a bus for this next one. Or at least a bigger cab. Sounds like a bunch of students need a ride.

He doesn't mind. "I've had a dozen people in this cab," Lucky tells one rider. But it turns out only four people are waiting.

*Squib* Two SIUC men and two women. They're all fairly drunk and uncouth.

Lucky introduces himself. "Take me home, Lucky," says one of the girls instantly. She's obviously drunk and on the verge of vomiting.

She looks as though she'll barely make the short ride back to Brush Towers. Two of her friends are making out next to her and a friend in the front seat is joking with Lucky.

The group makes it home all right. It's Lucky's pride.

They pay the fare and stumble off. Another crackle from the radio. That voice.

To the Strip. Two men and a woman — all around their 20s — are leaning against a stop light on the corner of College Street and Illinois Avenue, flagging Lucky down.

They need a ride to Thompson Point. Lucky knows the woman, Betsy. The two men introduce themselves. Mark and Kevin.

"Even though we're crazy alcoholics, Lucky takes care of us," Betsy says with buzzed admiration.

Meanwhile, Mark brags about the woman he's supposedly wooed at the bars and laughter ensues.

"For the price of a drink," Mark says. "You can get home without walking."

They need cigarettes. But by now, it's 2:15 a.m. and the first place Lucky tries is closed. He turns the car around and tries another gas station closer to Thompson Point.

Lucky, it's open. On Lincoln Drive, the cab passes a group of five students walking home.

"Possible flu-like symptoms showing up in the early morning hours," Kevin says of the group outside braving a cold night. "But us? No, we're gonna be fine."

Lucky pulls up to the residence hall. Mark and Kevin are joking about the resident assistant while they jump out of the car, knowing they'll see Lucky again soon.

"How much do we owe you, Lucky," Betsy says. "\$5.60," Lucky responds. It's Lucky's pride.

"I just want to make a difference," Lucky says as we drive away. "I want to be there when the kids need a ride."

may ask for a raise because it is "long overdue."

Instead of using meters to charge people, Carbondale is composed of 35 different zones. Yellow Cab charges a certain amount to travel from one zone to another. High promised any raise asked for would be the lowest possible, about 20 or 30 cents per zone.

The raise issue has provoked questions of redrawing lines to change the prices.

The City Council is planning to rezone Carbondale because of recent annexations, but if Yellow Cab requests an increase, it will factor that into its design.

"There's no doubt it's going to happen," said Donald Monty, assistant city manager. "If they want an increase in rates, we also want to look at changing the map to adjust the zone boundaries."

Rezoning Carbondale to include annexed land will create additional zones, which could cause financial problems for Yellow Cab. High said the company loses money when driving to the outer zones.

Monty said although High has not yet petitioned a raise, it has been years since the last one, improving Yellow Cab's chances for approval.

"I can't predict what the City Council would do," Monty said. "If the operator made a rational argument, it would seem reasonable that the council would do it."

If High does request a raise in rates, the City Council must approve it, which could take several months. Even if High asks for an increase by mid-summer, it still may not take effect until next year.

High said regardless of the zoning issue, a raise will initially have a negative affect on business.

"It always does," High said. "It's really hard in a college town where students are on budgets."

**GAS INCREASE**

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stations were charging about \$1.50 per gallon of regular unleaded gasoline.

Gas prices are rising because the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), has cut production rates to increase prices, improving the economies of the countries involved. OPEC, which controls about 50 percent of the world's oil, is made up of 11 oil-producing nations, excluding the United States.

OPEC cut production by four million barrels per day, each barrel is the equivalent of 42 gallons. Each barrel costs about \$30, the highest since the Persian Gulf War.

OPEC is under pressure from the United States to produce more oil, but until it meets in Vienna, Austria, March 27, no one knows whether the price increase will continue.

The rise in gas prices has affected the money drivers make, but it has not influenced the company yet.

"I'm sure it's affecting [the drivers] but not the business itself," High said. "I haven't noticed any difference."

City council sets the rates for the cab company. Because there is no visible affect from High's standpoint, he has no concrete plan to ask the City Council to raise rates. Although, he is considering the possibility.

"It depends on how high the gas goes," High said. "I'm not saying I'm going to, but I'm not going to rule it out either."

Yellow Cab has not raised prices since 1984, so High

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# Schools face dilemma over enforcing 'zero tolerance' policies

KATE BEEM  
KNIGHT-RIDDER TRIBUNE

In the aftermath of the Columbine shootings, school districts are embracing "zero tolerance" safety policies like never before.

One strike, and those breaking the rules are out of school, sometimes for a few days, sometimes for a year or more. Although the policies existed before the deadly attack last April at Columbine High School in Colorado, administrators are enforcing them more diligently these days, experts say. But sometimes, say civil libertarians, they go too far.

"Columbine has really made a huge impression on school districts, and they don't want to be the one who let the kid slip," said Susan Goldammer, an attorney with the Missouri School Boards Association.

The policies, which stem from federal and state laws passed in the 1990s, have created problems for school officials charged with educating and disciplining children. In many districts, school administrators won't tolerate even one instance of weapon possession, drug use or harassment.

Last November, 17-year-old Dan Vianello of Prairie Village, Kan., was expelled for a full year from Kansas Shawnee Mission School District. Vianello, an honor student, had a butterfly knife in his car when he drove to Shawnee Mission East High School.

Vianello, who had bought the knife as a souvenir on a trip to Europe, told school officials that he had forgotten the knife in his Toyota Corolla. He and his parents asked the district to shorten the expulsion, but the district declined. Vianello also lost his driver's license for a year under a new state law.

Sarah Boman, a senior at Bluestem High School in Leon, Kan., east of Wichita, was suspended last month for posting a drawing with

the words, "I'll kill you all!" on a school door. Boman, an art student, said the drawing was conceptual art and showed the thoughts of a fictional madman.

After her suspension hearing, the school board-appointed hearing officer said Boman posed no threat to her school. Board members, however, wanted her to undergo psychological testing before returning to classes. Her parents enlisted the American Civil Liberties Union, which won an injunction in federal court against the school, district, and Boman returned to school without the testing.

An eighth-grade boy at a Virginia middle school took a knife from a friend who had threatened to commit suicide. The boy, Benjamin Ratner, put the knife in his locker, but another student told school officials about it. Ratner was removed from school for four months for violating the school's weapons policy. He returned last month.

School officials later said that the boy's actions were "noble" and that he posed no threat to himself or others, but his suspension was upheld at an appeals hearing.

Zero-tolerance supporters, from parents to teachers to administrators, say these sorts of incidents are the price of keeping schools safe today. But critics say such blanket policies chip away at individuals' rights. Administrators don't usually consider a student's intent.

"The underlying concept of zero tolerance really doesn't allow discretion," said Dick Kurtenbach, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Kansas and Western Missouri. "If you have zero tolerance, the very idea of that is it doesn't matter what the exception is."

That's inherently wrong, said John Whitehead, founder and director of the Rutherford Institute, a civil liberties organization based in Virginia.

"A policy that doesn't have exceptions is not a good policy because you're dealing with human

beings," Whitehead said.

In Vianello's case, the butterfly knife was something he bought in Italy because he admired its beauty, he said. It is illegal to possess one in Kansas, but Vianello and his parents said they didn't know that.

A butterfly knife has a blade concealed by a sheath that flips open to become the handle.

Vianello said he never intended to use his knife or take it into the school.

His mother, Judy Stoddard, said: "To me, it all hinges on intent. Nothing is inherently evil unless it's meant to be evil."

School officials counter that it's not that simple.

"How would anyone know intent?" said Steve Martin, the Shawnee Mission school board's attorney. "I think zero tolerance goes against the grain of all of our experiences. But it's part of what may be necessary to bring accountability to these parents and kids."

There are unfortunate situations in which students break rules without intending harm, officials agree. But students and parents need to understand there's no room for weapons and violence at school, said Paul Munsen, assistant superintendent in the Lee's Summit School District.

"A weapon brought by a student, even without the intent to do harm, often ends up doing harm anyway," Munsen said.

Laws govern policies.

School officials say they wish they didn't need zero tolerance. But it might avert a tragedy, said Jan Watson, director of policy services for the Missouri School Boards Association.

"One incident like that is devastating to a school district," Watson said.

State laws govern zero-tolerance policies, leaving school districts little room to move, said Rusty Newman, Shawnee Mission's director of student services.

The safe-schools laws in Kansas and

Missouri are similar and extend the federal Gun-Free Schools Act, passed by Congress in 1994. The laws require public school districts to spell out what happens when students possess weapons at school, engage in threatening behavior or use drugs or alcohol on campus.

In Kansas, the law requires districts to expel students who take weapons to school, said Pat Baker, deputy executive director and general counsel of the Kansas Association of School Boards. The law says districts may remove students for a full school year, although superintendents can modify the length of expulsion.

The same is true in Missouri, although students are suspended, not expelled, meaning they can return to the school district at some point. (In Missouri, students who are expelled can never return to the district.)

Students removed from school may appear before a committee designated by the superintendent. If they're unsatisfied with the committee's recommendation, students can appeal to superintendents and school boards.

The hearings are where discretion should come into play, said Gene Neely, president of the Kansas National Education Association. Hearing committees and administrators should evaluate each case separately and try to understand a student's intent, he said.

Removing students for weapons or inappropriate behavior for a few days until a hearing is conducted is a good idea, Neely said.

"I think we have to give every guarantee to parents and kids that schools are safe," he said.

But some say the pendulum might have swung too far. Baker has filed claims from rural school districts faced with expelling students who drive a parent's truck to school, forgetting about the hunting rifle hanging in the gun rack in the back window.

"I personally believe that it (zero tolerance) has resulted in some really unfair results," Baker said.

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- 514 S. Beveridge #4
- 602 N. Carico
- 403 W. Elm #2
- 403 W. Elm #4
- 718 S. Forest #1
- 718 S. Forest #3
- 507 1/2 S. Hays
- 509 1/2 S. Hays
- 402 1/2 E. Hester
- 406 1/2 E. Hester
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- 210 W. Hospital #2
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- 612 1/2 S Logan
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- 202 N. Poplar #2
- 202 N. Poplar #3
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- 406 S. University #2
- 406 S. University #4
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- 703 W. Walnut #E

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- 504 S. Ash #1
- 504 S. Ash #2
- 502 S. Beveridge #2
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- 703 S. Illinois #202
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- 908 W. McDaniel
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- 300 W. Mill #4
- 400 W. Oak #3
- 408 W. Oak
- 511 N. Oakland
- 202 N. Poplar #1
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- 301 N. Springer #4
- 404 S. University N
- 503 S. University #2
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**3 BEDROOM**

- 504 S. Ash #2
- 504 S. Ash #3
- 502 S. Beveridge #1
- 502 S. Beveridge #2
- 514 S. Beveridge #2
- 514 S. Beveridge #3
- 515 S. Beveridge #1
- 515 S. Beveridge #2
- 407 W. Cherry

**3 BEDROOM cont.**

- 405 W. Cherry Court
- 406 W. Cherry Court
- 408 W. Cherry Court
- 400 W. College #5
- 500 W. College #2
- 809 W. College
- 104 S. Forest
- 120 S. Forest
- 500 S. Hays
- 513 S. Hays
- 402 E. Hester
- 406 E. Hester
- 210 W. Hospital #3
- 611 W. Kennicott
- 906 W. McDaniel
- 908 W. McDaniel
- 402 W. Oak #1
- 408 W. Oak
- 507 W. Oak-Dave's
- 505 N. Oakland
- 202 N. Poplar #1
- 509 S. Rawlings #4
- 509 S. Rawlings #5
- 509 S. Rawlings #6
- 168 Watertown Dr.
- 404 S. University N
- 404 W. Walnut
- 820 1/2 W. Walnut

**+ BEDROOM**

- 504 S. Ash #3
- 502 S. Beveridge #1

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- 407 W. Cherry
- 809 W. College
- 104 S. Forest
- 120 S. Forest
- 500 S. Hays
- 513 S. Hays
- 402 E. Hester
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DRUGO  
MODEN  
RAYLEY  
HIRTHE

Answers: THE

Friday's Jumble: DECAY BIPEL ENGINE BETRAY  
Answer: What hot vegetable patch turned into A GARDEN OF EATIN'

### Comic Striptease

by Jason Adams

My gawd. This party sucks.

All the other guys found women except us.

Yeah, I...

Hey, how you doin'?

Damn you, irony!!!

### Stick World

"Boy, you've got cool parents. I had to tell my mom I was studying."

### Shoot Me Now!!

by James Kerr

Bunch of us are planning to go over to the supermarket and put dairy products in the lactose-intolerant section after work. You in?

Well...um...that sounds great, Phil...but I can't. I...well...er...I have a blind date tonight.

Heehee! So Eleanor Roosevelt here finally landed himself a date? Lord man, when was your last intimate encounter with a woman?

I think enough time's past to declare your boys legally dead, Chim-Chim.

I'll alert a priest...

### Doonesbury

by Garry Trudeau

SKULL & BONES, VALLEROST SOCIETY, CHAIRS OF PRESIDENTIAL ASPIRATIONS.

...REARS UP TO SUPPORT ROOSEVELT PLAYA BUSH BY FILLING HIS COFFERS...

SPEND IT WISELY, YOU BET!

...FILLING HIS HEAD...

CHINA GOOD, CUBA BARR, GOT IT?

I KNEW THAT ONE.

...NO RACING HIS CILLS.

HELLO! ARE YOU GUYS ARE THE BEST?

YOU KNOW JOHN MCCOIN IS SATURN'S BOYTOY!

HELLO! ARE YOU!

### Mixed Media

by Jack Ohman

...WHO PAINTED THE MONA LISA? LEONARDO DI CAPRIO... LEONARDO DA VINCI... LEO THE LION TAMER...  
...TAKE YOUR TIME...

...DA VINCI WAS IN THE BOAT MOVIE...

### Mother Goose and Grimm

by Mike Peters

UH OH, MOM MUST'VE GONE TO BED AND FORGOTTEN I WAS OUTSIDE.

HEY, WAIT! I CAN STAY OUT ALL NIGHT, GO ANYWHERE I WANT TO.

...I WANT TO GO TO BED.

### Daily Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Pretoria's nation abbr.
- 4 Peal's river
- 8 Delphic prophat
- 14 Here, in Paris
- 15 Piroe member
- 17 Black dog
- 18 Cause to adhere
- 20 True up
- 22 Operatrol
- 23 Bottom line
- 24 Salami variety
- 25 Bourasay
- 26 Altman brother
- 29 Fury
- 31 Fruit drink
- 32 Drivers' org.
- 33 Camper's set of utensils
- 35 Feline lequis
- 38 Open containers
- 39 Faithful
- 42 Harmonious
- 43 Hesse and
- 47 School

48 Possess

50 Race

51 Commence

54 Krazy

55 Solidarity

56 Horizontal line

57 Time period

58 Cubic decimeter

59 Legal

63 Morris book

64 "The Naked"

64 Male white

65 Descriptive hair

66 Sunbather's aim

67 Lunnet or Pouter

68 Obligation

69 Poetry from Pandar

70 "Not Unusual"

DOWN

- 1 Leggy actress?
- 2 Triangle with three unequal angles
- 3 Exposures for drying
- 4 Cash-27 star
- 5 Truck's truck
- 6 Unseasonal
- 7 Off the boat
- 8 Food scrap
- 9 Feeling regret
- 10 "Lou Grant" star
- 11 French castle
- 12 Met-judge's list
- 13 Language suffix
- 19 In secret
- 21 Passes
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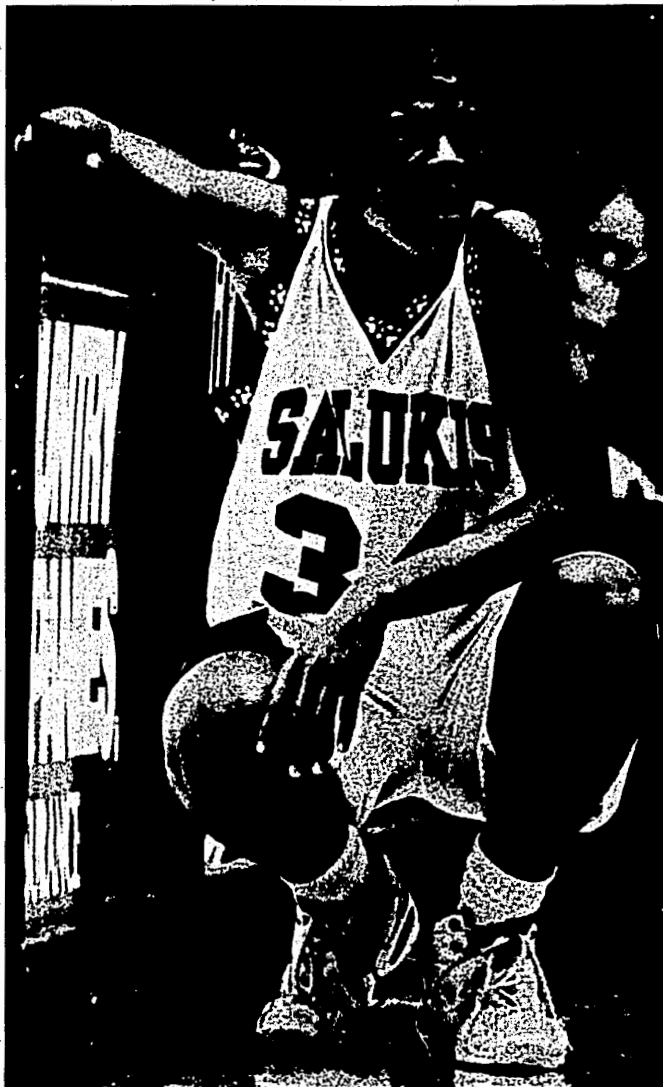
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# SIU seniors endure disappointing farewell



SIU senior center Melaniece Bardley, along with fellow senior Ann Morgan, was honored Saturday for Senior Day in the Salukis' last home game of the season. Bardley scored 19 points and pulled down seven boards in her final game in the SIU Arena.

*Bardley and Morgan  
honored on Senior  
Night before Salukis fall  
67-52 to Lady Aces*

CHRISTINE BOLIN  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Losing by 15 points to Indiana State University Saturday night was not the way SIU women's basketball senior Melaniece Bardley planned to finish her last game in the SIU Arena.

Bardley, along with fellow senior center Ann Morgan, who has been sidelined by injury all season, was honored at Senior Night — where SIU fell to the Sycamores, 67-52.

"I am not sad, I am disappointed," Bardley said. "I wish we could have won. We just gave the game away at the end and we didn't come together. We just gave up."

The Salukis (8-19, 5-13) maintained their lead over the Sycamores the entire first half. The closest Indiana State came to leading SIU was when the game was tied at 11.

After the first half, SIU led the Sycamores 28-25, but it would not take long for Indiana State (9-17, 5-13) to take full control of the game.

The closest SIU came to staying in the game was at the 8:36 mark, where a lay-up by Bardley reduced the Sycamores lead to just two points.

After Bardley's lay-up, the Salukis failed to score for the next four minutes. Indiana State took advantage by going on a seven-point run and never looked back.

"We were down and we could not get back up," said freshman guard Janina Lopez. "The whole game we just kept getting more down."

The Salukis ended up losing by 15 points, the largest point margin of the game and were outscored in the second half by 18 points.

Saluki head coach Julie Beck was less than pleased with the final results of the game. She gives credit to the

## TOURNAMENT TIME...

THE SIU WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM TRAVELS TO SPRINGFIELD, MO. FOR THE MVC TOURNAMENT THURSDAY VERSUS THE UNIVERSITY OF EVANSVILLE. TIME IN TO 106.3 FM FOR TIPOFF, WHICH IS AT 6 P.M.

Sycamores, who Beck said was a much improved team since their last meeting, Dec. 29, where SIU won 64-62.

"I can't believe we played our last game like that. It is real disappointing to me," Beck said. [Junior forward/senior Kiwana] Battle is a real improved player since the last time we played them. We kept [freshman guard Courtney] Mennen to six points and that was the one we planned to keep a close eye on. It should have been Battle.

Battle led all players in scoring and rebounding with 23 points, including 13 in the first half, and 12 rebounds. Sophomore guard April Kirby was second in scoring for Indiana State with 17 points, 4-for-6 from three-point land.

**“We can win — we can do anything. [The tournament] is our final opportunity to prove ourselves. We can make a statement going into next season. I know I won't be here to see it, but it is something for the other players to look forward to.”**

MELANIECE BARDLEY  
SIU senior center

For SIU, Bardley led all Salukis in scoring in her final performance on her home floor with 19 points and seven rebounds. Junior forward Maria Niebrugge added 12 points and 10 rebounds.

Part of the reason contributed to the loss was the absence of junior

Kristine Abramowski, who separated her right shoulder in Thursday's win over Illinois State University. The Salukis would like to see the 6-foot-3-inch center, who is day-today on the injured list, return for the Missouri Valley Conference tournament, which begins Thursday, when the Salukis play the University of Evansville.

Even though SIU is the seventh seed in the MVC — and the Lady Aces are the second — Bardley thinks the Salukis' possibilities are endless.

"We can win — we can do anything," Bardley said. "[The tournament] is our final opportunity to prove ourselves. We can make a statement going into next season. I know I won't be here to see it, but it is something for the other players to look forward to."

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## Baseball deals with juggling trick all week

*Salukis swing west  
to Fresno State  
for pre-break tourney*

ANDY EGENSE  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The SIU baseball team will have to manage its time wisely as it will miss a week of classes after embarking on a six-game, six-day road trip to Fresno, Calif. to play in the Pepsi/Johnny Quik Classic.

In March of 1998, SIU coach Dan Callahan checked with the Admissions and Records Office before signing the contract to play in the tournament for March of 2000.

Back then, the schedule stated that spring break 2000 would be the week of March 6, not March 13.

Callahan said having school in session during the tournament poses some extra difficulties for the Salukis. "Some of our guys have missed practice to make up labs and catch on some academics because they know they will be missing a week [of school]," Callahan said. "I don't think a lot of them have even thought about the trip."

Callahan said the scheduling is an "odd occurrence" because the team will be on the road during school and be home in time for spring break.

Sophomore pitcher Jake Alley (2-0) will take his phenomenal 0.50 ERA into the first game today at 1

p.m. against University of North Carolina-Asheville. The Salukis will face Gonzaga University Tuesday and Indiana State University Wednesday.

Pending how other action goes, SIU could play either Fresno State University, Bowling Green University, Creighton University or Temple University later in the week.

Callahan will start freshman Josh Latimer Tuesday and follow with freshman Brendon Fort. Latimer has only walked one batter in 20-plus innings pitched.

SIU has received quality starting pitching in the early part of the season. The starters are a combined 5-0 with a 2.22 ERA, while the relief staff has suffered a 1-2 record with a 8.33 ERA.

## Softball wins Classic for first time since '92

*Stremsterfer has  
career weekend*

ANDY EGENSE  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

SIU softball coach Kerri Blaylock told her club that mental toughness would prevail in the tournament.

Her testament proved to be the winning edge as the Salukis won their Southern Classic this weekend at LAW Field.

The outcome did not look promising when SIU played the 13th ranked University of Iowa Saturday afternoon. The game was tied 1-1 in the third inning with an Iowa runner on third base.

Pitcher Erin Stremsterfer stepped off the mound in between pitches and was not paying attention to the runner. Kristin Johnson snuck into home by the time Stremsterfer realized what was happening.

"When they stole home, that is how they beat you," Blaylock said.

"They will nickel and dime you to death because they are a good team, they are a smart team."

Stremsterfer ended the two-day tournament 8-for-15, and hit two home runs. She led most the offensive support as SIU averaged just four hits-per contest.

"I think we are really proud of ourselves actually to bounce back from 1992 and we finally won this thing," Stremsterfer said.

The lone loss would be enough for the Salukis to win the tournament. The Salukis (6-4) defeated University of Louisville 1-0, Northern Illinois University 6-2, the University of Loyola 4-2, and Eastern Illinois University 3-1.

Iowa lost to Louisville and did not complete a game against Loyola because of darkness. Iowa and Louisville both finished at 3-1. Since SIU won against Louisville, making them the winner.

Carisa Winters recorded 20 strikeouts in two games with pitching wins against Louisville and Northern Illinois.

SIU survived a one-hitter in the opening game against Louisville. Julie Meier's sixth-inning solo homer was the only Saluki hit, but was enough with the quality pitching throughout the tournament.

"She's kind of a bulldog," Blaylock said. "That is sometimes in softball games, how you win ball-games. You have to have good pitching and defense and get a run across. That is what good teams do."

The Salukis were almost in the same situation Sunday afternoon as Eastern Illinois coach Lloydene Scarle nearly single-handedly delayed the final game of the tournament. She did not arrive to the game on time, leaving her players to consult with the umpires before the game.

Blaylock told her kids to not get involved and just play the game. She does not think the team had to overcome a curse to win the tournament, but was pleased with the way they responded to the challenge.

"I don't get caught up with all that," Blaylock said. "I just want to play well."

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# Salukis meet their match

*Southwest Missouri  
beats shorthanded SIU  
67-56 in semifinals*

JAY SCHWAB  
SPORTS EDITOR

ST. LOUIS -- For most of the season, the SIU men's basketball team hustled its way to wins against quicker and more athletically gifted teams.

But the Salukis' shortcomings caught up with them in a sobering 67-56 loss to Southwest Missouri State University Sunday in front of 11,688 people at the Kiel Center in a Missouri Valley Conference Tournament semifinal game.

With its NCAA Tournament dreams crushed, SIU (19-12) is left to wait for a possible postseason tournament invitation, which almost assuredly would be to the National Invitational Tournament.

Meanwhile, Southwest Missouri State (22-9), winners of 10 straight games, plays Creighton University at 8 p.m. tonight in the tournament championship game. Creighton advanced to the title game with a 71-69 victory against No. 1 seed Indiana State University in Sunday's first semifinal game.

Even at full strength, SIU would be outmanned athletically by the Bears, but the gap was widened Sunday. The Salukis played all but the first minute of the game without senior center Derrick Tilmon, who suffered a back injury against Evansville Saturday. SIU's cause was further damaged when junior forward Joshua Cross, one of SIU's few athletic players, fouled out with 11:15 left in the game.

SIU senior forward Chris Thunell said the Salukis did not have enough answers for the experienced Bears, who have more than their share of offensive weapons.

"They went to the Sweet 16 last year and they made big plays," Thunell said. "We didn't counteract them, and on defense, we didn't get shutouts when we needed it. I think that really hurt."

Both teams came out cold, as the

Bears clung to a 2-0 lead until SIU senior guard Ricky Collum buried a three to give the Salukis their first basket more than four minutes into the game. Each team shot 30 percent from the floor in the first half.

The Salukis used a 7-0 spurt, capped by a Kent Williams tip-in, to take a 23-19 lead with 3:09 left in the first half. But the Bears' Allen Phillips hit a runner in the lane just before half-time to give the Bears a 26-25 lead at the break.

"We just could never get on a roll where we could kind of take control of the game," SIU coach Bruce Weber said. "I thought they controlled the tempo of the game."

"They brought their A game and we just didn't."

Neither team was pleased with the officiating. Bears coach Barry Hinson was assessed a technical foul in the first minute of the second half for protesting Scott Brakebill's fourth foul. The call seemed to ignite the Bears, who went on a 13-2 run to take a 39-29 lead. Phillips was instrumental in the surge, scoring eight of the 13 points.

The Salukis made a run, though, and had cut Southwest's lead to three when sophomore guard Brandon Mells was whistled for charging as he tried to lay the ball in on a fast break. The controversial call ended the Salukis' momentum.

"We were making a run, and I thought [Mells] made a good play," Thunell said. "It puts a stop to your momentum, and we didn't step up on the defensive end and make the plays."

Southwest, which beat SIU in all three meetings this season, used an 8-0 run capped by a Kevin Ault three to take a 57-44 lead.

Along with Ault (15 points), Phillips really hurt SIU. Phillips led the Bears with 23 points, while Williams' 12 points paced the Salukis. Perhaps most devastatingly for the Salukis, Thunell labored through a 2-of-13 shooting performance, and ended up with seven points.

In Saturday's quarterfinal, SIU rode an incredible hot streak from Mells to defeat Evansville 75-63. Mells made 8-of-10 three-point shots and scored a



DOUG LARSON - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Brandon Mells attempts to keep control of the ball amid thick Southwest Missouri State defense Sunday night at the Kiel Center during SIU's 67-56 loss in the semifinal round of the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament. Mells scored a career high 24 points in Saturday's win against Evansville.

game-high 24 points to lead SIU to the win. Six of Mells' threes came in the second half, to help SIU break open the game after the Aces took a 35-34 lead early in the half.

But Mells' heroics faded into the background by Sunday, as the harsh reality of the loss set in. Although the Salukis did not have the needed talent to become a dominant team, Weber said

he hopes his younger players learned a lesson from seniors Collum, Thunell, Tilmon and Lance Brown about the attitude and work ethic needed to win.

"I told them after the game I hope they listened and learned from the seniors on how hard you have to play at this level," Weber said.

"Hopefully our future's good, but I hope the season's not over."

## Back injury sidelines Salukis' emotional leader for much of Sunday's semifinal loss to Southwest Missouri

COREY CUBICK  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

ST. LOUIS — Why Derrick Tilmon? Why now?

After sustaining a hard fall to the court against the University of Evansville Saturday night in the SIU men's basketball team quarterfinal match of the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament, senior center Derrick Tilmon suffered a back injury that limited his role to a mere spectator in SIU's 67-56 semifinal loss to Southwest Missouri State University Sunday at the Kiel Center.

Tilmon went down in the second half of SIU's 75-63 victory over Evansville after he was incidentally undercut while tipping

in a put-back of a Saluki miss.

It was a scary few minutes as Tilmon laid on the court twitching and out of breath.

"I think he panicked a little bit, he was shaking," Saluki coach Bruce Weber said.

Tilmon, who finished with seven points and seven rebounds against the Purple Aces, would eventually get up and went to the locker room to be checked out by the team doctor.

The emotional leader actually came back from the locker room and checked back into the game, but it may have been premature as he struggled to run the court and stayed in momentarily.

Tilmon started the game Sunday, but after a couple trips up and down the court,

it was evident his back would not allow him to compete. Without Tilmon, the Salukis lacked the emotional firepower and spark that the 6-foot-7-inch Clarksdale, Miss., brings to the court every day.

Tilmon was 0-for-1 in just 50 seconds of action in what may have been his last game in a Saluki uniform. The Salukis (19-12) will have to wait until Sunday to see if their season is over, or if they will receive a bid to the National Invitation Tournament.

"Here's a kid that works his butt off and improved so much and then it's a shame that he possibly ends his senior year, his career, on an injury," Weber said.

Tilmon's absence became even more costly after junior forward Joshua Cross fouled out with more than 11 minutes left

in the second half, giving SIU limited frontcourt options.

Senior forward Chris Thunell and freshman forward Jermaine Dearman were all the Salukis had left down the stretch. The duo struggled, shooting a combined 4-for-21 with 12 points in the loss.

Thunell, Tilmon's teammate of three years, said it was difficult to have his confident sitting on the sidelines in the biggest game of their careers.

"He's like my partner," Thunell said. "There's things out there that we do that we don't even have to talk, that we just do because we know what each other is going to do. Playing with him just makes your job so much easier."



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